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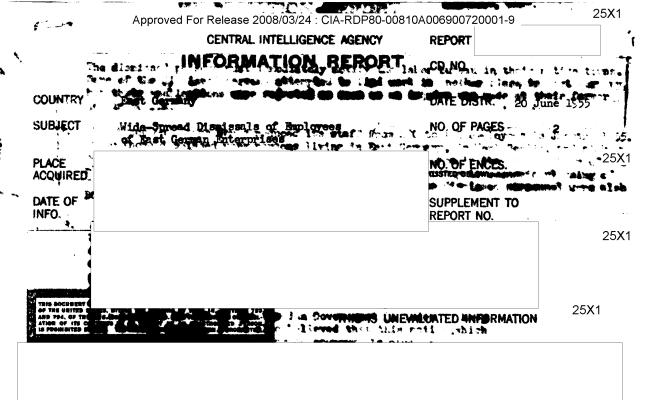
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- 3. VEB Messgeraete and Armaturenwerk Karl Marx, Magdeburg Buckau, allegedly does not have enough contracts and therefore has transferred approximately 500 workmen, among them technical workers. But, since other plants have no possibility of using them, a propaganda action is being carried out for form employment.
- 4. VB Schwermaschinenbau Ernst Thaelmann, Magdeburg Buckau, has regrouped departments in January 1955. One part of the workshops of the plant works in three chifts, unother one in two shifts, that is from 0800 to 1630 and from 2140 to 0600. These shifts were changed to 0600 to 1400 and from 1400 to 2200. This change makes possible the conclusion that a third shift is being prepared for all workshops. The plant has not dismissed employees, but has also not engaged new employees.
- 5. An East Berlin construction firm had planned to dismiss approximately 500 employees during January 1955. A part of the dismissals had already been carried through by 26 January 1955. Among the dismissals had already been carried through by made no difference to what profession they belonged. Even SED members were affected. The reason for this action is unknown.

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The dismissed persons must immediately notify the labor bures Some of the dismissed persons attempted to find work in anoth but their applications were rejected as soon as an inquiry way job in Berline	er place in East Germany
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